IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with <u>underlining</u> and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (previously presented), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please CANCEL claims 1-12 and AMEND claims 13, in accordance with the following:

Claims 1-12 (CANCELED)

13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method ~~as recited in claim 12, wherein said~~ ~~determining is performed by~~ <u>of providing an interactive voice response system, comprising:</u>

outputting an audio signal containing a list of available news report providers; ~~and~~

receiving selection of ~~the~~ <u>at least one</u> news report provider[[s]] by ~~the~~ <u>a</u> user<u>;</u>

<u>automatically obtaining at least one set of topics for questions spoken by the user from news reports by the at least one news report provider;</u>

<u>automatically updating a grammar using the at least one set of topics; and</u>

<u>recognizing at least one word spoken by the user based on the grammar.</u>

Claims 14-16 (CANCELED)

17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method ~~as recited in claim 15, further comprising:~~ <u>of providing an interactive voice response system, comprising:</u>

<u>automatically obtaining grammar words to be added to a grammar from at least one message for a user by</u>

comparing message words in the at least one message with information in a synonym database to determine synonyms for the message words; and

automatically adding the synonyms to the grammar<u>; and</u>

<u>recognizing at least one word spoken by the user using the grammar.</u>

Claims 18-19 (CANCELED)

20. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method ~~as recited in claim 18, wherein the message~~ ~~is~~ <u>of providing</u> an <u>interactive voice response system, comprising:</u>

automatically obtaining grammar words to be added to a grammar from at least one e-mail message, and wherein said method further comprises for a user, based on a source of the e-mail message;

adding information to the grammar from an address book entry for the a sender of the e-mail message; and

recognizing at least one word spoken by the user using the grammar.

21. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method as recited in claim 1 of providing an interactive voice response system, further comprising:

automatically updating the a grammar based on calendar information stored for a user; and

recognizing who speaks the at least one word spoken by a the user using the grammar.

22. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 21, wherein said updating includes adding to the grammar to enable said recognizing for questions about locations found in the calendar information.

Claims 23-32 (CANCELED)

33. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer readable medium as recited in claim 31, wherein said method further comprises storing at least one program for controlling an interactive voice response system to perform a method comprising:

automatically comparing message words in the at least one message for a user with information in a synonym database to determine synonyms for the message words; and

adding the synonyms to the a grammar; and

recognizing at least one word spoken by the user using the grammar.

Claims 34-35 (CANCELED)

automatically adding words to the grammar based on a source of the message.

36. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer readable medium as recited in claim 34, wherein the message is storing at least one program for controlling an interactive voice response system to perform a method comprising:

automatically obtaining grammar words to be added to a grammar from at least one e-mail message~~, and wherein said method further comprises~~ for a user;

adding information to the grammar from an address book entry for ~~the~~ a sender of the at least one e-mail message; and

recognizing at least one word spoken by the user using the grammar.

37. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer readable medium ~~as recited in claim 31, further~~ storing at least one program for controlling an interactive voice response system to perform a method comprising:

automatically obtaining grammar words to be added to a grammar from at least one message for a user;

automatically updating the grammar based on calendar information stored for ~~a~~ the user; and ~~who speaks the~~

recognizing at least one word spoken by ~~a~~ the user using the grammar.

38. (ORIGINAL) A computer readable medium as recited in claim 37, wherein said updating includes adding to the grammar to enable said recognizing of questions about locations found in the calendar information.

Claims 39-44 (CANCELED)

45. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An interactive voice response system ~~as recited in claim 39, wherein said~~ comprising:

recognition means for recognizing at least one word spoken by a user using a grammar; and

update means for automatically ~~updates~~ updating the grammar based on calendar information from a source external to said interactive voice response system, stored for a user who speaks the at least one word ~~spoken by a user~~.

46. (ORIGINAL) An interactive voice response system as recited in claim 45, wherein said update means adds to the grammar to enable said recognition means to recognize questions about locations found in the calendar information.

Claims 47-49 (CANCELED)